

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO.1779 OF 1996

Dr. Ramprakash Sharma & Anr.

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Petitioners

Vs.

The State of Maharashtra & Ors.

...

Respondents

None for the petitioner.

**CORAM: V.G. PALSHIKAR &
SMT. RANJANA DESAI, JJ.**

DATED: 19TH AUGUST, 2004.**P.C.:-**

1. This is a writ petition of the year 1996. In order to seek immediate disposal of the pending cases, hearing of the writ petitions pending before this court was spread over two benches and this bench was entrusted the duty to dispose of the writ petitions of the year 1996-2003. Such an arrangement was made for urgent disposal of writ petitions which are pending for years. However, it is noticed that most of the petitions are not being worked out either on account of failure of the counsel for the petitioner to appear or for admission of pleadings.

2. In any event, in this case today when this matter was called out, none appeared for the petitioner nor was mentioned on behalf of the petitioner by anyone. We had

therefore, no option but to dismiss it for want of prosecution.

3. In the event the petitioner makes an application for restoration of the petition, apart from stating the reasons for absence at the time when the matter was called out, the petitioner should also state the manner in which or the reasons for which according to him, the petition even now survives.

4. The petition is accordingly dismissed for want of prosecution.

(V.G. PALSHIKAR, J.)

(SMT. RANJANA DESAI, J.)